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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Nancy Jane Halstead Stout of Chatham, who passed away on March 31, 2012; and

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WHEREAS, Nancy Stout was born October 19, 1919, in Dale County, Alabama; she was the daughter of Nallie Dora Galloway Halstead and Charles Carson Halstead; she moved to Eufaula, Alabama, as a young child, where she lived until she married John Sprague Stout in 1943; and

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WHEREAS, After her husband finished his service in the United States Army, Nancy Stout and her husband moved to Illinois to farmland that has been in the Stout family since 1836; for the past decade, she spent her summers in Illinois on her farm and winters with her daughters in North Carolina; and

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WHEREAS, Nancy Stout attended Montevallo College (now part of the University of Alabama); she later earned multiple master's degrees from the University of Illinois in Springfield; and

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WHEREAS, Nancy Stout taught history, math, and other subjects in the Ball-Chatham School District for over 25 years;

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and

1 WHEREAS, Nancy Stout was a member of Chatham Presbyterian
2 Church, where she served as pianist, organist, and music
3 director for many years; she also served as an Elder at the
4 church; she was a member of the Captain William Penny Chapter,
5 National Society, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and
6 the Philanthropic Education Organization; she also served as an
7 organizer of Central Illinois School Regional History contests
8 for many years; and

9 WHEREAS, Nancy Stout was the author of numerous published
10 and unpublished books; and

11 WHEREAS, Nancy Stout was preceded in death by her husband;
12 her parents; and her siblings, Bessie White, Peasie Thompson,
13 Myrtle Jones, Daniel Halstead, and Rex Halstead; and

14 WHEREAS, At the time of her death, Nancy Stout was survived
15 by her daughter, Joan Johnson-Blackwell (Bob); Joan passed away
16 on April 2, 2012; Nancy Stout is also survived by her other
17 daughters, Phyllis Stout, Melissa Stout, and Janifer Stout Day;
18 her grandchildren, Jo Ellen Johnson, John Scheitler (Marlo),
19 Andrewe Johnson (Stephanie), Jennifer Scheitler Waters (Lee),
20 Lindsay Kinkade-Gigantino (Joshua), Phyllis Day Kastle (Alan),
21 Amanda Kinkade Obusan (Dan), and Joshua Day; her
22 step-grandchildren, Sarah Kinkade Meyer-de Ville (Jeremie),

1 Barry Blackwell (Teresa), and Steve Blackwell (Pam); and her
2 many beloved great-grandchildren and step-great-grandchildren;
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
6 her family and friends, the passing of Nancy Jane Halstead
7 Stout; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Nancy Stout as an expression of our
10 sympathy.